Tiverton Recreation Commission minutes, 2/17/2009

In attendance: Debbie Ebbitt, Jack Cook, Theresa Burke, Rick Bush, Gary Rose, Diana Toste,

Josh Mello

Absent: Pam Levakis

No public delegations.

Financial Report:

Theresa reviewed the current financials. The financial report was accepted.

Secretary Report:

Pam was absent, but the minutes were previously reviewed by all and accepted.

Sub-committee Reports:

Diana provided an update relative to the skate park. Rather than sending a RFQ without having the knowledge relative to how and what is needed, a RFI will be sent first. Jim Goncalo seemed to think it can be done without going before the Town Council. [That has since changed and presentation to the council will be required.]

Old Business:

Gary indicated that it appears we made a minor profit after the Wizards game. A check will be sent to the Wizards and the hotel bill and Paul's Press remain outstanding.

Gary and Jack went before the council relative to the land acquisition for the soccer complex. Additional information was requested by the council that Jack will follow up on.

Pam was absent to the grant update was tabled.

Diana suggested that each commission member have a role/responsibility so when things need to be done the commission does spend time sorting out tasks. All agreed and the roles/responsibilities are as follows:

- Debbie Ebbitt: posting in town (i.e. event posters)
- Jack Cook: police/fire
- Theresa Burke: press announcements
- Rick Bush: school communication
- Diana Toste: Paul's PressJosh Mello: webmaster

New Business:

Gary began discussions relative to summer events. There had been some discussion on rejuvenating the Waterfront Festival. George Alzibak has expressed interest in coordinating the event. Gary will follow up with George. Diana suggested a summer basketball league. Gary will discuss it with some people to see someone with experience would be interested in

coordinating it. There were some other ideas discussed. Gary will get summer events on the Town Council agenda.

Kenny DeCosta will host the field permit meeting on March 1 from 12-2.

Diana shared that a light donation has been made to the commission. The stipulation is that we pick up the lights (there are 5-6) and drop one off at the donor's property. Additional information is needed as well as a viewing or photo of the lights. Diana will follow up.

Jack indicated that due to budget constraints, summer workers will not receive a pay increase this yeara.

Correspondence:

Gary received a Citibank refund on credit balance check which will be deposited in to a recreation account.

Misc. Committee Member Items:

Diana informed the group of the dates for the Farmer's Market. Are we interested in participating again? This was tabled.

Diana also informed the group that due to her class schedule she is unable to attend meetings for the next three months. She offered to step down, but the commission was kind enough to grant a leave of absence.

Gary is going to ask Jim Goncalo to authorize the rental of a roller so the fields can be rolled prior to the spring sport season.

Gary indicated that Jim has informed him of the following:

- 1. no spending over \$100 without authorization
- 2. there is a hiring/salary freeze
- 3. invoices have to be approved/signed by Gary prior to submission for payment.

meeting adjourned.

respectfully,

Diana Toste